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The applicant's response filed 1/23/06 is not completely responsive to the previous Office action because of the following:

The previous Office action mailed 9/22/05 stated that "[t]rademarks should be capitalized wherever they appear and be accompanied by the generic terminology" in the specification. The amendment filed 1/23/06 added "ROBOCYCLERTM" in the paragraph beginning at line 16 on page 70, but right next to the added term is "RoboCycler," and in the next line "SPECTRAMaxTM," which are not capitalized. Furthermore, there are many other trademarks present in the specification that are not capitalized such as ChemiMaerTM and AlphaEaseTM on page 36.

Additionally, the amendment to the title filed 1/23/06 is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(b) because the amendment does not provide markings to show changes made. 37 CFR 1.121(b) explicitly requires that markings be provided to show changes made to the replacement text for a paragraph including a title, which is considered for amendment purpose as a paragraph.

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